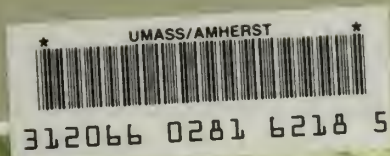


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MASSACHUSETTS



THE SPIRIT OF MASSACHUSETTS IS THE SPIRIT OF AMERICA.



Dear Vacationer,
I am delighted that you
are interested in visiting
Massachusetts. As Governor
of the Commonwealth, I
invite you to come share in
our state's wealth of historical,
cultural and recreational

attractions. As a lifelong resident of the Bay State, I assure
you that an unforgettable experience awaits you here.

Summer in Massachusetts means basking on one of a
hundred beaches. Or it means hiking through our countryside,
and at night feeling the harmony of fine music played
beneath the stars. And it means exploring the neighborhoods
of our cities and walking through 350 years of
America's history.

Autumn in Massachusetts is colorful foliage, harvest
festivals and the Thanksgiving tradition begun by the
Pilgrims.

Winter in Massachusetts is skiing all day and spending the
night at an 18th-century inn. It's participating in our cities'
First Night celebrations, our own special way of ringing in
the New Year.

And anytime in Massachusetts, you can browse through
antique shops, view the fine arts and dine in world-class
restaurants or casual cafes. A Massachusetts vacation is an
affordable luxury.

So read through this vacation planner and learn more
about the "Spirit of Massachusetts." Then come visit and
catch the spirit. You will go home with a lot more than just
memories and souvenirs. You will find yourself returning and
renewing your Massachusetts spirit year after year.

Sincerely,

Michael S. Dukakis
Governor

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his year, take a vacation your family will never forget. Take a journey back in time to the corner of America where history began. To the land where the Pilgrims landed. The place where Paul Revere made his famous ride and the shot heard 'round the world was fired. Come stand on Bunker Hill or climb aboard "Old Ironsides." Or roam the decks of the World War II battleship U.S.S. *Massachusetts*.

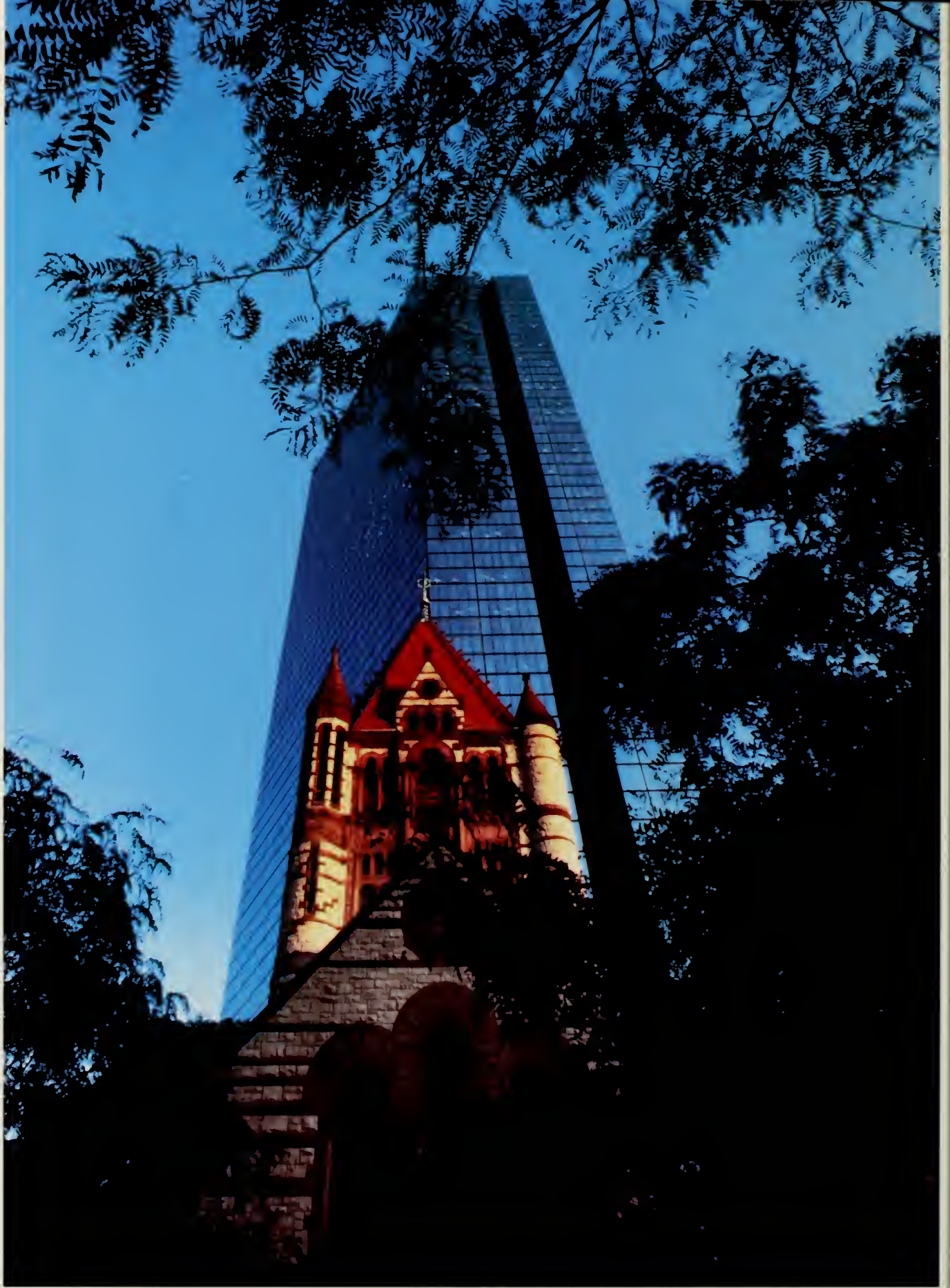
Travel to the whaling ports of New Bedford and Nantucket. Watch an old mill turn in towns like Fall River and Lowell where brand new Heritage State Parks stand as symbols of the pride we hold in our triumphant past. Watch as we make bread and candles at Old Sturbridge Village and Plimoth Plantation.

Open a window on history and return to the days of witch trials and clipper ships in Salem. Pioneers and Indians in Deerfield. Visit the homes of poets, writers, painters and Presidents.

Or enjoy the spirit of the present. Watch spring come to life as you hike the trails of our State Parks, majestic forests, wildlife sanctuaries and conservation lands. Or fish our streams. Canoe our lakes. Bicycle our islands. Ski our mountains and cross-country trails. Breathe our fresh salt air and listen to the sound of our pounding surf.

Sample the spirit of our city life. The elegance of Boston. The history and rejuvenation of Springfield and Worcester. Wander through our children's museums, computer museums, armories, art, history collections and maritime museums. Savor the culinary delights of Faneuil Hall Marketplace and the color of our ethnic festivals. Relax in world-class luxury at our international hotels and gourmet restaurants.

Come share the spirit of your heritage. The spirit of the great outdoors. The spirit of the arts. The spirit of our towns and people. A spirit that's as American as apple pie. For the spirit of Massachusetts truly is the spirit of America.



Historic Trinity Church contrasts with the gleaming John Hancock Tower, Boston.

THE

CITIES

**THE SPIRIT OF OUR CITIES AWAITS YOU.
A SPIRIT OF YESTERDAY, TODAY AND
TOMORROW. COME SHARE THE SPIRIT**

of Boston. Where cobblestoned streets seem to echo the footsteps of Patriots and Tories. Where gaslit lanes once were filled with horse-drawn carriages. Where glass and marble buildings rise to create the skyline of today. Come mingle with our varied people. Join us in our jovial pubs. Our outdoor cafes. Our candlelit restaurants. Sit back and enjoy a Broadway play, ballet, opera or symphony. Or cheer with the rest of us at the Boston Garden or

Fenway Park. Enter our elegant boutiques, browse through antique shops, or pick up a bargain from a street vendor. The spirit of Boston is as varied as our past, our people, and our visitors.

Catch the spirit that is Worcester. A spirit of rebirth. From our brand new Centrum civic center to the renovated block of One Exchange Place, you'll feel the innovative spirit of this renaissance city. Our world-renowned galleries for art and armor will surprise you. And the

countryside around our city's borders is quite spectacular.

Share the spirit that is Springfield. Where craft fairs and country fairs attract people from all walks of life. Where our ethnic festivals are as colorful as the rolling hills that surround us. Where the buildings of our past stand proudly next to the skyscrapers of today.

The spirit of the Bay State's three largest cities, as well as all its other diverse cities, beckons.



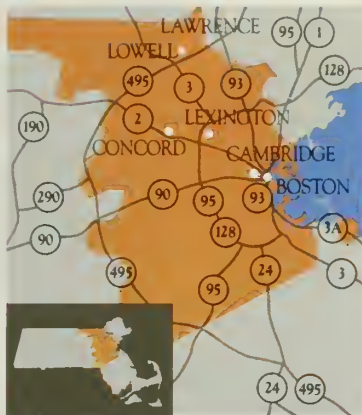
Faneuil Hall Marketplace at night, Downtown.

BOSTON

Boston is a city of contrasts, a gentle blend of old and new. Where neat rows of red-brick town houses in the Back Bay counterpoint the smooth mirrored surfaces of the skyscrapers downtown. Where the landmarks are as American as Bunker Hill and the local color is as international as the Italian trattorias, the Chinese restaurants, the Irish pubs and the French bistros.

Boston is a city alive, from First Night, when New Year's Eve is a celebration of the arts, to cool summer nights when picnickers gather along the Charles River Esplanade to hear the Boston Pops.

The city is encircled by the "Emerald Necklace," a strand of green parks designed by Frederick Law Olmsted. Pass through Boston Common, America's first public park, and stroll



gold-domed State House. Built in 1798, this majestic capitol is the oldest in the country and was a model for other state capitols. It now

citizens of Boston.

Just a few minutes away in Charlestown, board the *U.S.S. Constitution*, ("Old Ironsides") the oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world. The 200-foot obelisk of the Bunker Hill



Fruit and vegetable stands, Haymarket.

houses the state archives, including the 1780 Massachusetts Constitution.

Among the Freedom Trail's landmarks are the site of the Boston Massacre; Old North Church, where two lanterns sent Paul Revere on his famous ride; and Revere's house, built around 1677.

The stark interior of the Old South Meeting House holds the secrets of Revolutionary political meetings. The Old State House is a museum of the city's history and site of the first reading of the Declaration of Independence to the



Masts of the U.S.S. Constitution, Charlestown.

Monument completes the Freedom Trail tour, which can take you from two to three hours.

DOWNTOWN AND THE WATERFRONT

Here many of the city's oldest monuments are found in the shadows of the city's newest office buildings. Faneuil Hall, "The Cradle

of Liberty," began in 1742 as Boston's meeting and market center. Today, hundreds of boutiques, pushcarts and vendors fill the brick and granite buildings of Faneuil Hall Marketplace, attracting a constant throng all year long.

On Central Wharf beside Boston Harbor, the New England Aquarium is famous for its dolphin and sea



Swan Boats, Public Garden.

the Public Garden, a botanical wonder where Swan Boats glide. Surrounding, are the neighborhoods that are the heart and soul of Boston.

THE FREEDOM TRAIL

The red line that marks the Freedom Trail links 16 sites important to the history of Boston—and the history of America. Start your walking tour at the Visitor Center on the Tremont Street side of Boston Common, then walk uphill to the



Paul Revere Statue, North End.



Although Boston is the seventh largest city in the United States, it has a comfortable, small-town atmosphere. The city is compact, and the "T," Boston's subway system, is convenient and easy to use. But, to fully appreciate Boston, bring along your walking shoes.

lion shows. From adjoining Long Wharf, take a whale-watch expedition, a harbor cruise or a day's excursion to the secluded islands and beaches of Boston Harbor Islands State Park.

Board the Boston Tea Party Ship and toss a container of tea into the harbor, the same harbor where those famous chests landed in 1773. Or join the fun at the Boston Children's Museum and the new Computer Museum. At Downtown Crossing, visit Filene's Basement—the mecca for bargain-hunters.



The Boston Ballet.

If you're looking for entertainment, take in a Broadway-bound show, or a performance of the Boston Ballet, or the Boston Opera. For a different show altogether, catch the Bruins or the Celtics at the world-famous Boston Garden.

Science Park, linking Boston and Cambridge across the Charles River, is home to the Museum of Science and Hayden Planetarium. Exhibits on electricity, the human body and

what's new in computers engage children and adults.

THE NORTH END

As Boston's oldest neighborhood, the North End has housed almost every wave of immigration to the city—from Puritans and Blacks to

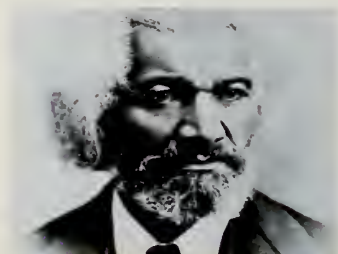


North End bakery.

Irish, Jews and, now, the Italian community. Here is the birthplace of Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy (4 Garden Court), as well as Paul Revere's doll-sized house, the oldest home in Boston. Restaurants and espresso bars line these narrow streets, featuring the aromas and tastes of Italy.

BEACON HILL

Sweeping down from the State House, Beacon Hill maintains an architectural elegance that is one of the prides of the city. Here,



Frederick Douglass, Boston abolitionist leader.

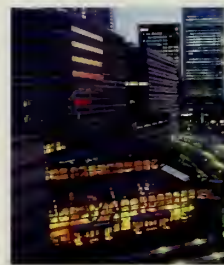
delicate gas lamps line the sidewalks in front of beautiful brick 19th-century town houses.

The Black Heritage Trail winds through Beacon Hill's north slope, the neighborhood of Boston's Black community in the 1800s.

Highlights along the Trail include the Abiel Smith School, the first public school for Black children; the Hayden House, an important station on the Underground Railway for escaping slaves, and the Old African Meeting House, the first Black church in Boston.

BACK BAY AND BEYOND

Handsome period houses line the orderly grid of streets in the Back Bay neighborhood. Stroll down fashionable Newbury Street where boutiques and art galleries



Copley Place, Back Bay.

are housed in 19th-century town houses. Or enter the 20th-century elegance of Copley Place with its department and specialty stores, restaurants and cinemas, all under one roof. At Copley Place, you can also view "Where's Boston?," a multi-media introduction to Boston's neighborhoods and people. Then go to the tops of the John Hancock Tower

and the Prudential Center for terrific views of the city and multi-media shows. Finish your day at Symphony Hall, enjoying the sounds of the Boston Symphony Orchestra or Boston Pops.

The Fenway area is home of the Boston Red Sox and the Museum of Fine Arts, whose vast collection, from Egyptian to Oriental to European and American artworks, is arranged in intimate galleries. Lectures, tours and special programs are





Commonwealth Avenue town houses, Back Bay.



Venetian courtyard, Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum.

featured year-round, and there is a superb restaurant in the new West Wing. Nearby, the exquisite Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, an Italian palazzo complete with a blooming courtyard, is filled with Renaissance and European paintings.

In Dorchester, is the John Fitzgerald Kennedy Library. Set on Boston Harbor, this elegant building designed by I. M. Pei, is a poignant memorial to the 35th President of the United States. You

can view a film on the lives of John and Robert Kennedy, and see a collection of memorabilia including letters, photographs and John Kennedy's famous rocker.

CAMBRIDGE

A quick trip on the "T" across the Charles River places you in the heart of Cambridge, home to Harvard, the nation's oldest university, and M.I.T. Stroll the Harvard campus and visit the Fogg Museum and the University Museum, to see



Harvard University, Cambridge.



John Fitzgerald Kennedy Library, Dorchester.

the famous Glass Flowers exhibit. The American Repertory Theatre and Sanders Theater present concerts and theatrical productions which you shouldn't miss. Then enjoy the shops and bistros of Harvard Square. Along Brattle Street, tour the Henry Wadsworth Longfellow House, which also served as George Washington's headquarters in 1775.

LEXINGTON AND CONCORD

In Lexington, the first shots of the American Revolution were fired on April 19, 1775. Every spring, Lexington celebrates with a reenact-

ment of the battle. In neighboring Concord, is the Old North Bridge, where "the shot heard 'round the world" was fired. And at the Minuteman National Historical Park, view a film and tour the historical battlefield. In quieter times after the Revolution, Concord inspired a wealth of American literary figures. Today, the homes of Louisa May Alcott, Nathaniel Hawthorne and Ralph Waldo Emerson are all open to the public. And at Walden Pond, find the site of Thoreau's solitary cabin.

LOWELL AND LAWRENCE

Just as Lexington and Concord were the settings for



Minuteman, Concord.

the American Revolution, Lowell and Lawrence played major roles in the 19th-century Industrial Revolution. Northwest of Boston, Lowell was the first planned manufacturing city. Its cloth-producing mills had a profound impact on America's development. At the Visitor Center of the Lowell National Historical Park, a slide show traces the city's history. Tour the canals and mills every day, May through October. Nearby Lawrence gives more insight into the Merrimack Valley textile industry. Both cities feature Heritage State Parks (Lawrence opens August '85) with exhibits and interpretive tours and programs. Factory outlets fill the old mill buildings in Lawrence.

Not far away in North Andover, the Museum of American Textile History illustrates the manufacture of woolen cloth.



Textile mill, Lowell.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

The Boston Marathon; April Reenactment of Battle of Lexington; April Boston Pops Fourth of July Concert; July Boston Harborfest; July First Night; December

WORCESTER

Journey into the heart-land of Massachusetts to Worcester, the second largest city in New England and a real discovery for any traveler. Best known as a center for industry, Worcester was also home to the first power loom, the first liquid-fuel rocket and the first Valentine. Today, Worcester is in the midst of an exciting renaissance both in building and in spirit.



City Hall reflected in Worcester Plaza building, Downtown.

DOWNTOWN

The new heart of the city is Worcester Center, a shopping galleria and office complex that rises, with a bow to the past, next to the original town common. Close by, the modern Centrum civic center attracts a line-up of big-name entertainers, from Frank

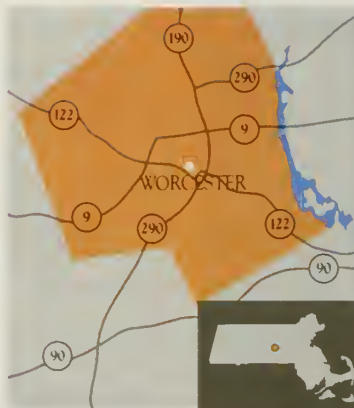


Galleria, Worcester Center.

Sinatra to the Grateful Dead.

Worcester has also proudly preserved its past. Around the block from the Centrum, tour Mechanics Hall on Main Street where such 19th-century notables as Charles Dickens, Henry David Thoreau and Mark Twain lectured.

Across from the Centrum is One Exchange Place, a lively block of shops and restaurants housed in the city's former police and fire stations.



Henry David Thoreau.

MUSEUMS

Worcester is famous for a number of excellent museums. Closest to downtown is the Worcester Art Museum, nationally recognized

for its collection of European, Oriental and, especially, early American works. On the third floor, look for the disarmingly haunt-

ing portrait, Mrs.

Elizabeth Freake and Baby Mary, considered one of the finest paintings of the Colonial period.

Close by,

the Worcester Historical Museum documents the city's growth from a frontier town to a manufacturing center.

The American Antiquarian Society, west of the museum on Salisbury Street, was founded in 1812 by editor Isaiah Thomas. Thomas printed the rabble-rousing *Massachusetts Spy* just prior to the American Revolution.



One Exchange Place.

The Higgins Armory Museum, a 10-minute drive north from Worcester Center, was founded by a steel magnate with a true love for his trade; here is the largest collection of medieval and Renaissance armor in the western hemisphere.



"Mrs. Elizabeth Freake and Baby Mary," Worcester Art Museum.

Worcester became home to many nationalities as the city's industries grew and demanded labor. The area's 13 colleges, including Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Holy Cross College and Clark University, attract students from all over the world. Today, this varied ethnic mix contributes to Worcester's cosmopolitan feel—and flavors. You can order pastrami at an authentic Jewish delicatessen, nibble pita bread at a popular Moroccan restaurant, or feast on souvlaki and baklava at the Greek Festival.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

St. Patrick's Day

Celebration; March
Greek Festival; July
Albanian Festival; July
First Night; December





Worcester skyline at night.



The Connecticut River reflects the Springfield skyline.

SPRINGFIELD

At the southern gateway to the Pioneer Valley on the banks of the Connecticut River, lies the third-largest city in Massachusetts.



Heritage State Park, Court Square

Springfield is a growing cultural center, rich with a respect for history, a flair for festivals and a dedication to the arts.

DOWNTOWN

There is a spirit of rebirth amid a carefully-preserved past. The modern Springfield Civic Center faces Court Square, a bustling pedestrian plaza surrounding a traditional New England common. Recently restored as the Springfield Heritage State Park, Court Square is bounded on the south by a row of fanciful Victorian buildings. And on the west by the stately white First Congregational Church. On the north, are the Greek Revival City Hall, 300-foot campanile and

Symphony Hall, home to the Springfield Symphony Orchestra.

Down Main Street is Stage West, the city's sparkling theater complex. Two blocks east of Main Street, is quiet Mattoon Street, lined with prim red-brick Victorian town houses and ornate gaslight-style street lamps.

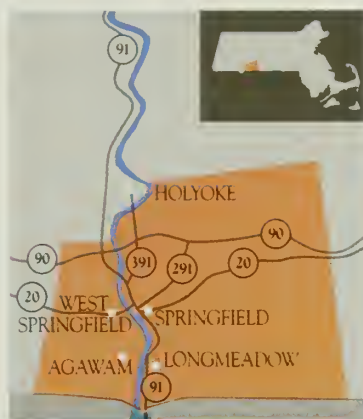


Doorway, Mattoon Street.

MUSEUMS

A five-minute walk will bring you to the cluster of four museums that forms the Springfield Quadrangle.

Here is the Science Museum, the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum and the



George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum, one of the country's earliest public museums. Across the Quadrangle,

the Museum of Fine Arts spans the centuries with displays of Chinese bronzes, European and American paintings.

The Springfield Armory, located on State Street, was once the nation's largest armory and is now a National Historical Site. The complex of buildings, which produced small arms weapons from 1794 to 1968, includes the Armory Museum, displaying the world's largest collection of military small arms, and the famed Springfield Rifle. Springfield is also home to the Indian Motorcycle Museum, just a mile from downtown.

The Basketball Hall of Fame, in its new quarters just off I-91, celebrates the sport that was invented in



The Boston Celtics, Springfield Civic Center.

Springfield by Dr. James Naismith in 1891.

INTO THE PRESENT

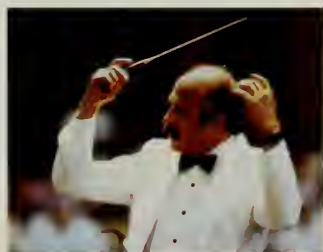
Across the river in Agawam is Riverside Park, New England's largest amusement park. In West Springfield, the Eastern States Exposition ("The Big E") draws a million people to its annual September fair and almost as many to the prestigious ACC Craftfair in June.



The rest of the year, Springfield celebrates its rich ethnic communities with lively street festivals.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Taste of Springfield; June
ACC/Craftfair, West Springfield; June
Big Fourth Festival, Springfield; July
Kielbasa Festival, Chicopee; September
"The Big E," West Springfield; September
First Night, Springfield; December



Robert Gutter, conductor of the Springfield Symphony Orchestra.

THE SEASHORE

**COME TO THE COASTS AND ISLANDS OF MASSACHUSETTS
AND LET YOUR SPIRIT SOAR. SHARE THE HISTORY OF OUR**

whaling ports. Catch the spirit of our active fishing villages.

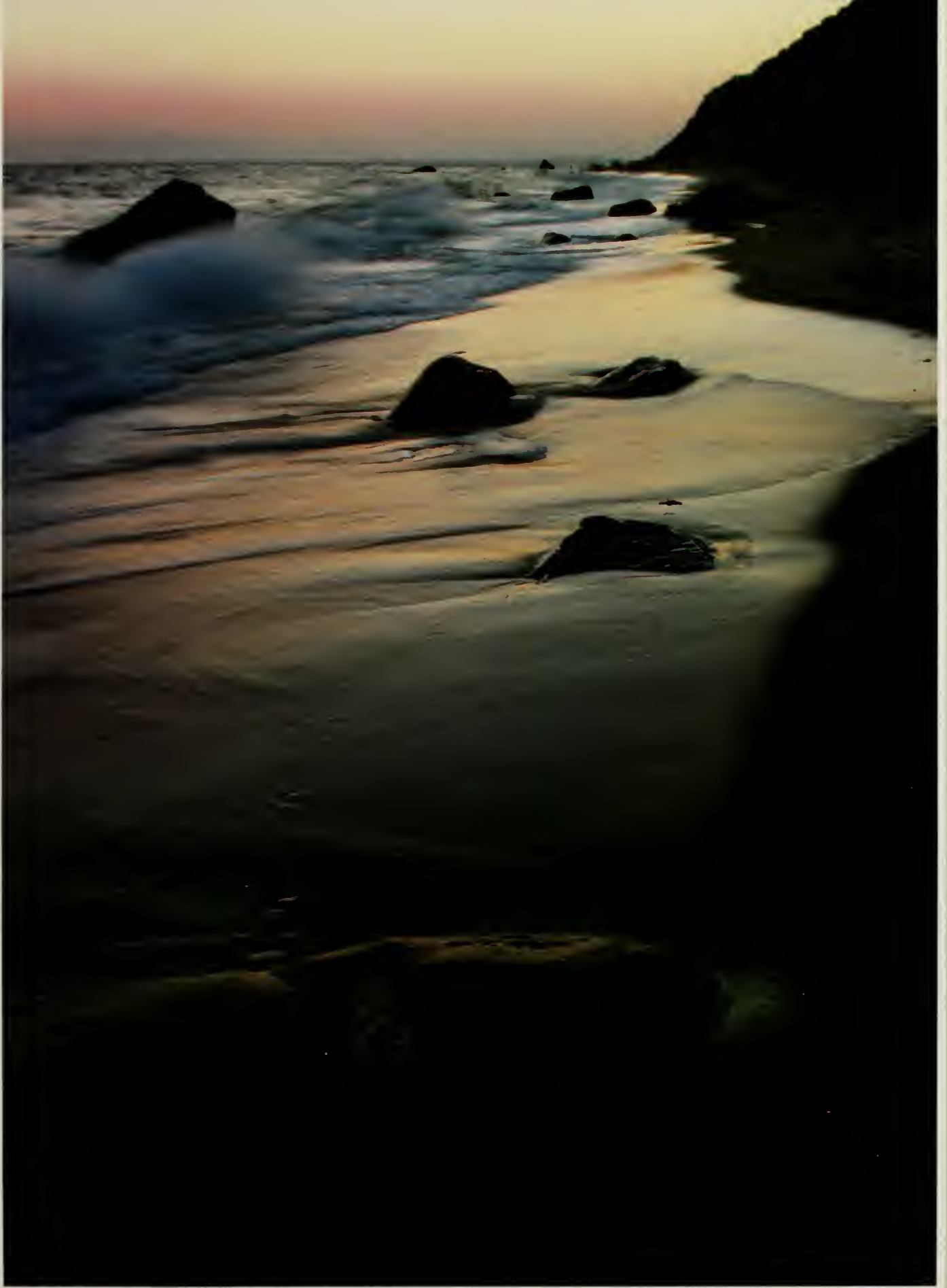
Gaze at the ruby-red cranberry bogs of Plymouth County.

Stand on rocky shores and look out to sea the way the mighty captains once did. See a whale breach. Walk a stretch of beach on Cape Cod and never see a single soul.

Take a ferry to Martha's Vineyard or Nantucket and join in the spirit of these island retreats. Take a bicycle excursion. Or simply take a quiet walk. Stay in cozy seaside inns. Dine on fresh lobster caught that day. Stand on glorious cliffs. Or make castles in the sand. But most of all, just relax.

Or share the spirit of America's maritime past in Bristol County. Climb aboard whaling ships and battleships. Travel to Salem on the North Shore and stand on the docks where clipper ships once moored. Or hoist your own sail and conquer the mighty sea.

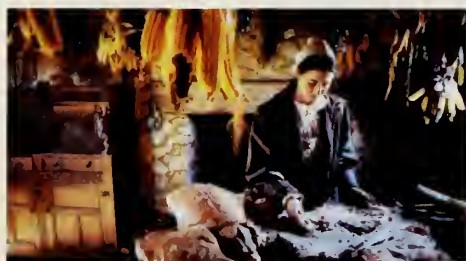
The spirit of our fresh salt air and pounding surf awaits you.



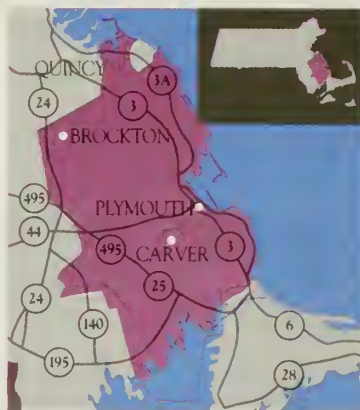
Sunset at Gay Head.

PLYMOUTH COUNTY

From Boston to Cape Cod, the region known as the South Shore is graced with glistening beaches, protected marshlands and seaside towns.



Costumed interpreter at work, Plimoth Plantation.



popular annual Marshfield Fair, an agricultural extravaganza.

For recreation you can fish, boat, hike, horseback ride or cross-country ski in the 14,000 acres of the Myles Standish State Forest near South Carver. Sample fried clams or scallops at restaurants that give you the sight, sounds and smells of the ocean.

PLYMOUTH



Mayflower II, Plymouth.

SOUTH SHORE

Just south of Boston is Quincy, birthplace of John Hancock and home of four generations of the Adams family, which produced two U.S. presidents. There are a number of the Adams' homes to tour, among them the Adams National Historic Site and the beautiful 18th-century Quincy Homestead. Quincy is also distinguished as the sport flounder fishing capital of the world. From nearby Braintree, you can catch the Cape Cod & Hyannis Railroad for Cape Cod.

In Brockton, a half-hour's drive due south of Boston, you will find the modern Brockton Art Museum/Fuller Memorial with changing exhibits that range from early American and historic art to contemporary crafts. Farther south in Middleborough is the A&D Toy Train Village, housing 2,000 miniature train models.

Route 3A winds by the historic seaside towns of Hingham, Cohasset, Scituate and Duxbury. The large white barns of Marshfield house the

sions leave from Plymouth Harbor in spring, summer and fall.

Don't leave the area without visiting Plimoth Plantation, just south of the center of Plymouth, where you can join in true Pilgrim life. Occupying a hilly site similar to the Pilgrims' actual settlement, Plimoth is an open-air museum that recreates the Bay Colony circa 1627. Here costumed interpreters take on the roles of the town's earliest settlers. Step into the past and chat with Captain Standish and Mistress Hopkins.



They'll answer you in the language of our forefathers.

Also in Plymouth, the Cranberry World Visitor Cen-

ter details the history and cultivation of this New World crop. In nearby South Carver, the Edaville Railroad takes you through an 1,800-acre cranberry bog. In the fall, you can view the "wet-harvesting" of the ruby berries and at Christmastime, see a spectacular display of festive lights.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Marshfield Fair; August
Cranberry Festival and Fair, South Carver; September
Harvest Home Celebration, Plimoth Plantation; October
Public Thanksgiving Day Dinner, Plymouth; November
Edaville Railroad Christmas Festival of Lights, South Carver; November-January



Edaville Railroad, South Carver.



Cranberry harvest, Wareham.



Rock Harbor Light, Orleans.

CAPE COD

Here is a very special corner of America where you can still find an empty beach to wash your cares away—where each new day is punctuated with pounding surf and fresh salt air. Where tiny pristine towns stand like picture postcards and life is one long summer vacation.

The beauty and fun of the Cape stretches beyond the three full months of summer. The Cape is Massachusetts' year-round playground. You can fish along the shore, from a bridge, or head for the deep sea on a fishing boat. There are miles of paths for bicycling, jogging and horseback



Tennis break.

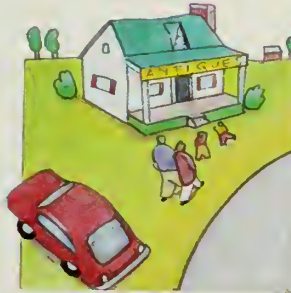
riding. Golf is year-round, interrupted only on those snowy days when the courses are turned over to the cross-country skiers. You'll find antique stores, theater, sailing, tennis, 300 miles of fine sandy beaches, and maybe a celebrity or two.

The Cape is divided into three parts. The Upper Cape runs from the Cape Cod Canal east to Hyannis, and includes Falmouth, Bourne and Sandwich. The Mid-Cape, from Hyannis to Orleans, retains a country flavor on its northern coast, while the southern coast is more developed. The Outer Cape, the north-south forearm, in-



cludes the National Seashore, historic villages and Provincetown.

Three main roads run the length of the Cape. Take Route 6A, along Cape Cod Bay, and you'll pass antique shops and stately houses on the north. Or take Route 28, parallel with Nantucket Sound, and see the more developed southern edge. Or take Route 6, the Mid-Cape Highway, and head directly through the center of the Cape.



Seafood delights.

UPPER CAPE

Two bridges span the Cape Cod Canal, which effectively turned the Cape into an island in 1914. On the Cape side of the Bourne Bridge, visit the Aptuxet Trading Post, a replica of the original 1627 post set



19th-century hand-blown glass, Sandwich Glass Museum, Sandwich.

up by the Pilgrims and the Dutch for trade. Where sand is plentiful, so is glassmaking and this area is famous for it. Just beyond the Sagamore Bridge watch artisans at work in the Pairpoint Glass Works.

Sandwich, the Cape's oldest town, is graced with hand-some shingled houses and a quiet mien. The Sandwich Glass Museum on Main Street displays the finest work of local 19th-century artists. The Old Hoxie House next to Shawme Pond is a saltbox dating from about 1675 and is the Cape's oldest home. Nearby is Heritage Plantation, with its 76 acres of gardens, collection of early American artifacts and delightful automobile museum. Farther east, on Route 6A lies Barnstable. This town of lovely homes lies on a sheltered harbor once filled with working fishing and whaling boats. The Donald G. Trayser Memorial Museum in the old Customs House heralds Barnstable's illustrious maritime past.

At the southern corner of Upper Cape is Falmouth, a large resort town with its original village green and an abundance of 18th-century homes.



Sailboats,
Hyannis Harbor.

Woods Hole, the famous center of marine study, lies at the Cape's southwestern tip. The National Marine Fisheries Aquarium is here, as well as the Woods Hole

Oceanographic Institute.

From Falmouth and Woods Hole the ferries leave for the islands of Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. The Cape Cod & Hyannis Railroad, which chugs on a scenic run between Falmouth, Buzzards Bay, Sandwich and Hyannis, links the Cape with Braintree—just south of Boston.

Hyannis, the busy community at the center of Cape Cod, is the terminus for both Martha's Vineyard and the Nantucket ferries. The largest airport on Cape Cod is located here as well. From the John F. Kennedy Memorial, there is a splendid view of the harbor. And surrounding Hyannis, are fashionable resort communities, such as Hyannis Port.

MID-CAPE

The area east of Hyannis to the Cape's "elbow" is known as Mid-Cape. The town of Yarmouth spans the peninsula at its narrow middle.



Low tide on Cape Cod Bay.

South and West Yarmouth feature the popular warm water beaches of Nantucket Sound. Yarmouth Port, on Cape Cod Bay, is a quiet town of elegant homes. Follow Route 6A toward Orleans, and you'll pass through Brewster, a picturesque town of wonderful antique shops and grand houses that capture a seafaring spirit. Be sure to visit the Cape Cod Museum of Natural History, which explains the Cape's



Architectural detail, Chatham Light.

land and dune formations, and Sealand, where performing seals and dolphins delight the child in all of us. At the end of Route 6A is Orleans, noted for its dunes and giant breakers off Nauset Beach.

The stretch of Route 28 between West Yarmouth and Harwich Port is lined with restaurants, motels



Corinthian columns of the Capt. Edward Penniman House, Eastham.

and antique shops. Many of the towns along here offer fishing-boat excursions.

In Dennis, visit the home of the man who gave the town its name, Josiah Dennis Manse. In Harwich, the Cape's leading cranberry producer, the town center has a library and local history museum you should see. And in Chatham, at the elbow of the Cape, fall in love with the elegance of the aristocratic shingled houses. The sailing here is superb. And you should drive out to Chatham Light for a spectacular view of the coast.

OUTER CAPE

North of Orleans, the magnificent Cape Cod National Seashore outlines the slender forearm ending in Provincetown. Start in Eastham



Eastham Windmill.



Wildlife Sanctuary, administered by the Audubon Society. Truro, spread out among hills and moorland, has long been popular with writers and artists, including the writer Eugene O'Neill. Take in the Highland House

Museum, and learn about Truro's early whaling days. It's located near Highland Light, one of the most powerful along the Eastern Seaboard.

The tall tower you see as you near the Cape's tip is the Pilgrim Monument, commemorating the spot where the *Mayflower* first dropped anchor. When you can go no farther, you've reached Provincetown. This eclectic artist colony, resort and active fishing port has art galleries, playhouses, inns and guest houses, fine restaurants and a spirit that welcomes, inspires and entertains. On "P-town's" Commercial Street, stores and houses huddle right up to the

narrow street as a daily thread of shoppers and sightseers stroll by. The nearby beaches are breathtaking, and the Province Lands Visitor Center will inform you about the Cape Cod National Seashore at the very tip of the Cape. The airport at Race Point links Provincetown with Boston and New York. At the town's wharf, you can watch the fishing fleet come in, catch the ferry-boat to Boston, or take off on a whale-watch cruise.

Discover Indian summer on Cape Cod. From September through the beginning of November, sunny, warm days linger on the Cape, and most of the summer attractions and restaurants are still open. Prices come down a bit, and getting around is easier than during the most popular summer season.

Discover the variety of the seasons here, and you'll quickly understand why Cape Cod visitors return year-round, year after year.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Cape Cod Fourth of July

Celebrations; July
Barnstable County Fair,

Falmouth; July
Falmouth Road Race,

Falmouth; August
Scallop Festivals, Chatham and
Bourne; October

Christmas Strolls and Fairs,
Chatham, Dennis, Hyannis;
December



Fishing boats,
Provincetown.



to view the graceful old windmill built in 1793, and visit the Salt Pond Visitor Center featuring an exhibit of Cape Cod's history. Covering 27,000 acres, the National Seashore has bicycle and nature trails, marshes, woodlands and stunning desert-like sand dunes.

In South Wellfleet is the Marconi Wireless Site, where the first formal wireless transmission to Europe took place in 1903. Wellfleet, well-known for its delicious oysters, is a resort town of art galleries and seafood restaurants. Nearby is the Wellfleet Bay



Lobsterpot buoys.

MARTHA'S VINEYARD

Just a 45-minute ferry ride from Cape Cod is the other world of Martha's Vineyard, New England's largest island. Twenty miles long and 10 miles wide, the Vineyard has windswept moors and dense pine forests, dramatic coastal cliffs, soft sandy beaches and six delightful towns.



cent white mansions of the 1800s. On Main Street, you can take in a play or musical at the majestic Old Whaling Church, now a performing arts center. And nearby at The Dukes County Historical Society you can return to Edgartown's whaling days.

From the town center, board the



19th-century home, Edgartown.

"On-Time" ferry to Chappaquiddick and discover tranquil roads that weave past private estates. The 489-acre Cape Pogue Wildlife Refuge offers miles of protected dunes and beach to explore.

UP-ISLAND

The 4,000 acres of the Martha's Vineyard State Forest offer miles of paths for walking, bicycling and horseback riding. In the classic New England town of West Tisbury you can tour Chicama Vineyard, Massachusetts' first licensed winery.

Menemsha, tucked on the northwest coast, is a must for photogra-

phers and seafood lovers. Boats pulling up to the weathered fishermen's sheds are a backdrop for a casual feast on the fresh catch of the day. And on the island's southern corner with its rolling hills and rural atmosphere, lies Chilmark.



Lobsterman and traps, Menemsha.

At land's end are the steep cliffs of Gay Head, dramatically streaked with bands of color. Descendants of the native Wampanoag Indians still live in Gay Head.

Ferries arrive from Woods Hole, Falmouth and New Bedford. Planes fly in from New York, Boston and Hyannis year-round. There are romantic inns and guest houses all over Martha's Vineyard, as well as delightful campsites. Go clamming, boating or just loll on any of our beaches. In the fall, the Striped Bass & Bluefish Derby invites visitors to the sunny days and cool nights. In winter, Christmas in Edgartown celebrates the holiday in real old-fashioned style with concerts, caroling and horse-drawn carriage rides.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Edgartown Regatta; July
Tisbury Street Fair; July
West Tisbury Agricultural Fair;
August
Striped Bass & Bluefish Derby;
September/October
Christmas in Edgartown; December

THE EASTERN VINEYARD

Vineyard Haven is the year-round port-of-call for the ferry. The town's busy streets, ringing a lovely harbor, are lined with boutiques, restaurants and inns. The Seaman's Bethel, built as a spiritual harbor for sailors between voyages, is now a museum and chapel.

Oak Bluffs, a seasonal ferry stop, was originally a Methodist summer camp in the 1830s. Today, tiny ornate cottages surrounding the central tabernacle are still painted in the rich vibrant colors of that day. Also in Oak Bluffs, take a ride on The Flying Horses, the oldest wooden carousel in America.



Gingerbread cottage, Oak Bluffs.

Edgartown, once a busy whaling port, now a busy sailing port, draws visitors to its specialty shops, art galleries, memorable seafood restaurants, quiet inns and elegant resort atmosphere. Head down North Water Street and view the whalers' magnifi-



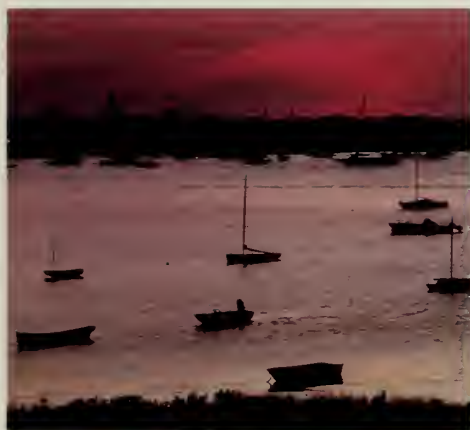
Surf at Katama Beach, Martha's Vineyard.



Ornate 19th-century home, Nantucket.

NANTUCKET

Nicknamed “the little grey lady of the sea,” Nantucket does indeed maintain a ladylike gentility. Stroll along cobblestoned streets past homes where flowers in hues of pink and purple brim from window boxes and summer gardens. Travel past sand and heath, windy moors and miles of sparkling beach. And return to a time when whaling ships made this island their haven.



Nantucket Harbor.

THE TOWN NANTUCKET

At the edge of an elongated harbor is the island's only town, Nantucket. In 1845, Nantucket was the hub of whaling activity, sending ships all over the world. Today you can relive those days at the small Whaling Museum on Broad Street. In this converted candle factory, the exciting whaling history of Nantucket comes alive. Next door, the Peter Foulger Museum houses exhibits on the island's past, from its settlement in the 17th century to its 19th-century seafaring heyday.

Browse through the antique shops and art galleries on Main Street by day and stay in an authentic sea-captain's house that night. In the Pacific



Club Building, pick up a Chamber of Commerce brochure that outlines an historic walking tour of downtown and guides you to grand mansions of Main, Orange and Pleasant Streets, highlighting Nantucket's history. Then visit the Old Mill, just beyond downtown, where the original stones still grind corn. Take a pleasant walk up Sunset Hill and view the 1686 home of Jethro Coffin, Nantucket's oldest house.

THE ISLAND

Leave your car on the mainland—distances are not great (Nantucket is only 14 miles long) and you can best explore the island on a bicycle or by foot.

Siasconset (or 'Sconset) on the easternmost shore, has a few very fine



restaurants. Some of 'Sconset's small grey-shingled summer homes once were cod-fishermen's shacks in the 1700s, and are adorned with the most



Summer cottage, Siasconset.

colorful climbing roses. Sankaty Head Lighthouse sits on a high bluff just beyond the village. From Milestone Road, view the world's largest working cranberry bog near the island's

center. At the western edge of the island is Madaket, the original 1659 settlement on Nantucket.

Ferries arrive from Hyannis, Falmouth and Woods Hole. Planes fly in from New York,

Boston and Hyannis year-round. You'll find golf, tennis, horseback riding, sailing and magnificent beaches on Nantucket. You'll also find the perfect setting for relaxing at any of the guest houses or inns. There's continental dining as well as casual fare, but the fruits of the sea are the island specialty. For a true island “retreat,” the warm months of May, June and October offer a very special opportunity to discover Nantucket's intimate appeal.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Daffodil Festival; April
Seafest; September
Christmas Shoppers Stroll; December



Jethro Coffin House.

BRISTOL COUNTY

The history and spirit of 300 years is alive in Bristol County. New Bedford still preserves its great seafaring traditions, a history which began in whaling days. And Fall River, just 20 minutes away, still hums with the needle trades of the past.



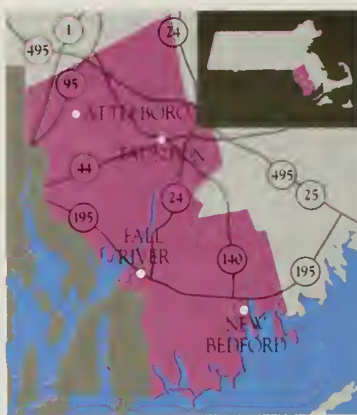
Spools of thread.

NEW BEDFORD

Gas lamps light the cobblestoned streets of New Bedford's historic district where solid buildings preserve this city's prosperous past. From 1820 to 1860, this was the world's most active whaling port. Begin by touring the New Bedford Whaling Museum, and you'll learn about the arduous lives of the seamen who manned the rugged whaling vessels. You can see, and literally walk through, a full-rigged, half-scale model of a whaling ship, and view a movie that takes you on an actual whaling expedition. Knowledgeable guides explain the hazards of the hunt, and the techniques used to process the whale blubber and precious oil. A display of delicately-carved scrimshaw will impress you with the whalers' artistry. Take the museum's hour-long walking tour of New Bedford and hear



Whaling ship model, New Bedford Whaling Museum.



more about the city's colorful past.

Facing the Whaling Museum on Johnny Cake Hill is the Seamen's Bethel, the mariners' chapel described by Herman Melville in *Moby Dick*. Nearby, the New Bedford Glass Museum houses a collection of the region's famous glassmakers' art. You can also take a ride on an antique fire engine along the waterfront to the Fire Museum.

Stroll the waterfront for a glimpse of today's active fishing industry and stop for a taste of the sea at one of the local restaurants. Docked along State Pier is the lightship *New Bedford*, part of an exhibition on the Coast Guard.

FALL RIVER

On Route 88, between New Bedford and Fall River, stop off at Horseneck Beach for warm sun and fresh salt air. Then continue on for a lesson in naval history at Fall River's Battleship Cove. Come aboard the enormous battleship U.S.S. *Massachusetts*, which served in World War II, and roam the decks of a PT boat and the destroyer U.S.S. *Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr.*

Then descend into the hold of the submarine

Lionfish. On shore, visit the Heritage State Park to see a multi-image presentation, "The Fabric of Fall River." At the Marine Museum learn how the Old Fall River Line ferried passengers in grand style from New York City for 70 years.



Ornate rooftops, Fall River.

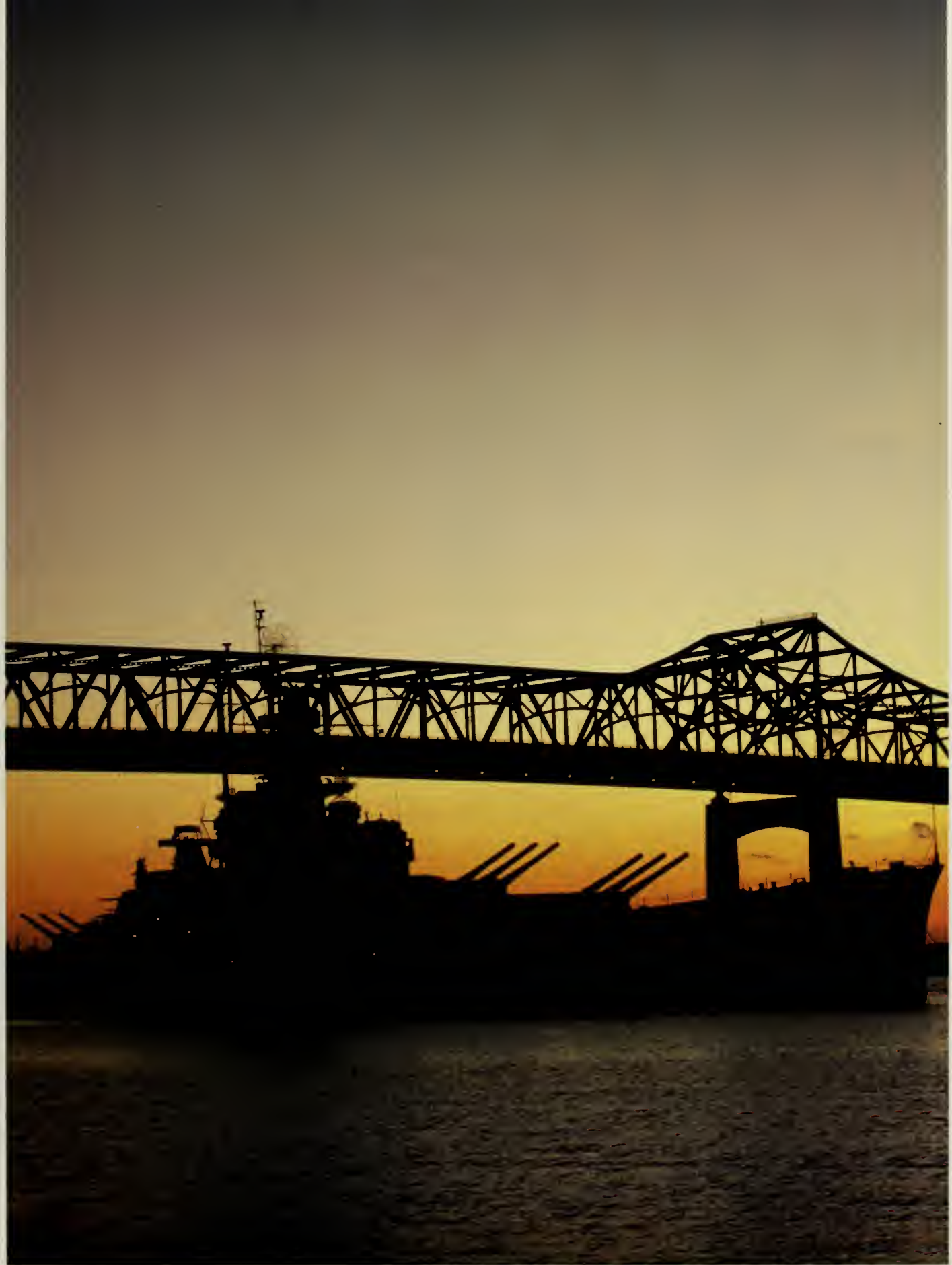
At the turn of the 20th century, Fall River was the world's leading textile manufacturer. Today, many of these once-abandoned stone and brick mills have found new life as enticing factory outlets. There are over 60 outlet stores in Bristol County, with most in Fall River.

You'll find wonderful inns, hotels and bed & breakfasts in Bristol County. Charming restaurants are housed in restored buildings or overlooking the water. All feature the freshest seafood. For the best Portuguese kale soup, the local specialty, just ask any fisherman.



FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

Whaling City Road Race, New Bedford; March
Feast of the Blessed Sacrament, New Bedford; August
Centre Street Festival, New Bedford; August



U.S.S. Massachusetts, Battleship Cove, Fall River.



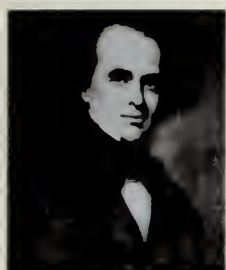
Sailboat race, Marblehead.

THE NORTH SHORE

The coastline north of Boston is quite unlike its sister shores to the south. Here you'll find 30 miles of rugged coastline punctuated with richly-textured fishing ports, bustling sailing harbors and peaceful towns.

NORTH TO CAPE ANN

Begin your tour by taking Route 1-A north of Boston to Marblehead, a major yachting center of the northeast. The famous painting, *Spirit of '76*, hangs in Abbot Hall and is open



Nathaniel Hawthorne.

for visitors daily. Walk the narrow streets past old sea captains' homes, and new cafes and boutiques.

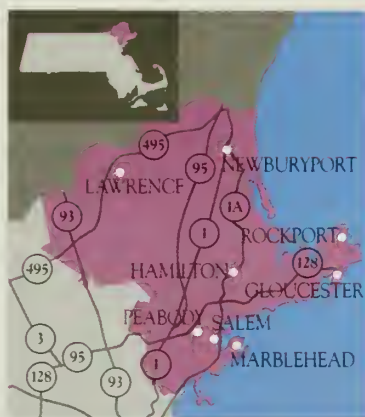
Minutes away in Salem

you can return to the time when clipper ships brought treasures from the Far East. The China Trade is preserved on Essex Street, in the museum and restored houses of the Essex Institute and the outstanding Peabody Museum of Salem.

Walk past antique shops to the waterfront and visit lively Pickering Wharf with its boutiques, food emporiums and dockside restaurants. The Salem Maritime National Historic Site on Derby Street is another base for walking tours. A few blocks away, is the House of Seven Gables, immortalized by native son Nathaniel Hawthorne. The Witch Museum and Witch House, both near Salem Common, recall the infamous trials of 1692.



Horse and buggy, Myopia Hunt Club, Hamilton.



Due north, the towns of Hamilton and Wenham are horse country. Travel up Route 1-A to watch polo on a summer Sunday afternoon, or visit the home and training site of the U.S. Equestrian Team. Head toward the coast to Magnolia, and tour Hammond Castle. The medieval furnishings and art are a dramatic setting for organ concerts performed here.

CAPE ANN

The rocks and rugged hills of Cape Ann reflect the peninsula's determined Yankee character.

Gloucester, settled in 1623 as a fishing colony, is Cape Ann's largest town and a world-known fishing port. Whale-watch excursions depart from the town docks, and seafood restaurants are all along this busy waterfront.

The small towns of Cape Ann are as charming as their names—Annisquam, Folly Cove and Pigeon Cove. In the artist colony of



Motif No. 1, Rockport.

Rockport you'll find small shops, restaurants and antique and art stores housed in what were once the fishing sheds of Bearskin Neck. Here also is Motif No. 1, a tiny red fisherman's shack, a subject for painters and photographers.

ESSEX TO NEWBURYPORT

Take Route 133 west, past antique shops to Essex—home of the fried clam. Continue on to Ipswich, famous for its 17th-century homes to visit the Whipple House or to picnic at Crane's Beach.

Then head north to Newburyport, one of New England's richest port cities in the 19th century. Situated at the mouth of the Merrimack River, downtown's Market Square is now filled with bookstores, boutiques and restaurants. Federal-style mansions along High Street still bespeak the wealth of their merchant king builders. Just outside town is Plum Island, where protected sand dunes offer summer beach-combing and year-round bird-watching.

Inns and hotels offer ocean views and fresh sea breezes. Restaurants, from casual to elegant, feature the local fish and seafood caught by the fishing fleet just that morning.

FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

St. Peter's Fiesta, Gloucester; June Marblehead Race Week; July Yankee Homecoming Days, Newburyport; July/August Topsfield Fair; September/October Haunted Happenings, Salem; October



The Countryside

Travel to a corner of America where time slows down at last. Where tiny towns with white church steeples nestle quietly among the rolling hills. Where wildlife sanctuaries and protected

woodlands preserve the beauty of the countryside. Where the life of the 19th-century New England settler comes alive each day at Old Sturbridge Village in Worcester County.

Enter the Pioneer Valley and feel the spirit of the French and Indians at Deerfield Village. Sit with students and professors in a small cafe and share the beauty of this countryside that inspires

us all. Climb the hills of the Berkshires or travel the Mohawk Trail and see vistas that will take your breath away. Come in spring and watch the wild flowers bloom. Come in summer when life is at its colorful best. Come in winter when the crisp cold air fills the skier's soul.

Come share the spirit of the great outdoors.



Field of blooming lupine, Northern Berkshires

Worcester County

Enter Worcester County and you are in "Heritage Country," the center of Massachusetts. This area surrounding the city of Worcester is a countryside of gentle rolling hills and crystal-clear lakes, sprawling state parks and intriguing museums reflecting the region's varied past.

South of Worcester

Step back into the world of the 1830s at Old Sturbridge Village, an evocative living museum of a rural New England settlement. Explore 40 restored houses and buildings on 200 acres. Interpreters dressed in period clothing farm the fields and go



Old Sturbridge Village.

about the daily chores. The sheep even mow the village green. Special events, tours and seminars are offered throughout the year. Celebrate an authentic Fourth of July or Thanksgiving, take a sleigh ride in winter or a photo journey along the unpaved roads.

In the town of Sturbridge, historic inns continue the 19th-century aura and restaurants offer hearty meals of traditional Yan-

kee fare. When winter comes, the Sheraton Village Ski Touring Center opens its miles of trails.

Head southwest of Worcester to the Blackstone Valley where the Blackstone Canal was opened in 1828, linking Worcester to the sea. Along the canal, mill towns grew, and to celebrate the history of the area, plans are underway for the Blackstone Valley River and Canal Heritage State Park. Don't pass Uxbridge without stopping in at the factory outlets now operating in old wool mills. In Grafton, tour the Willard House and Clock Museum with its fine collection of antique timepieces. In Oxford, the Clara Barton Birthplace commemorates the founder of the American Red Cross.



Wachusett Mountain in winter.



North and West of Worcester

North of Worcester on Rte. 110 is Harvard, where the Fruitlands Museums present an overview of 19th-century Massachusetts. The Fruitlands Farmhouse displays the memorabilia of a Utopian community founded here in 1843. The Shaker House contains exhibits about the Shaker religious group. The American Indian Museum is devoted to the life of the North American natives. The Picture Gallery includes paintings by early itinerant portraitists.

The 2,006-foot Wachusett Mountain dominates this region with recreational activities for all seasons. At the Wachusett Mountain Ski Area, there's downhill and cross-country skiing. In the summer, numerous trails are opened for hiking on the 2,100-acre Reservation.



Windsor chairs, Gardner.

West on Route 2 is Gardner, a town devoted since 1805 to making wood and wicker chairs. Soon a Heritage State Park will preserve its important manufacturing past. But today, you can shop furniture factory outlets for terrific bargains. In nearby

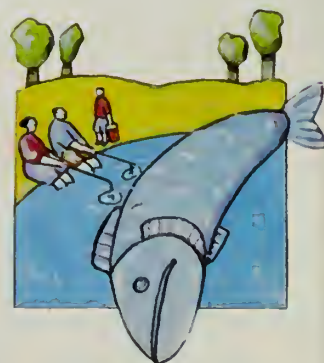
Fitchburg, one of the country's leading paper-making centers, the Fitchburg Art Museum displays paintings, sculpture and decorative arts.

West of Worcester is the Quabbin Reservoir, 18 miles long and surrounded by thousands of acres of forest where bald eagles make their home. The reservoir is the chief water source for Boston, and although you can't swim here, you can fish, hike and picnic in this peaceful wildlife sanctuary.

Throughout Heritage Country, you'll discover a countryside much as the settlers found it. At harvest time, you can pick your own berries, pumpkins and apples.

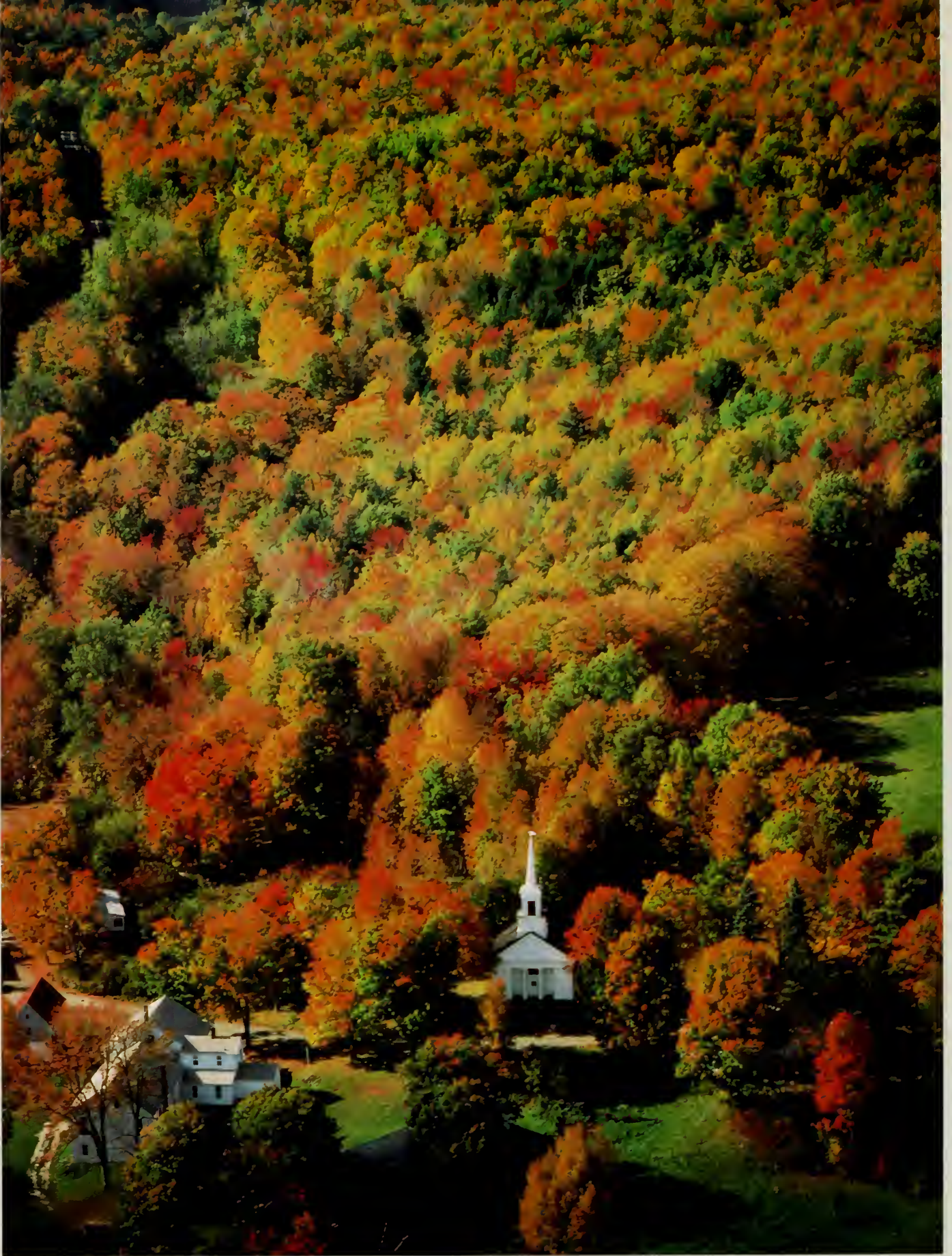
Festivals and Events

Bike Classic, Fitchburg; July
Early 19th-Century Fourth of July,
Old Sturbridge Village; July





The Fitch House, Old Sturbridge Village.



Fall foliage, Goshen.

Pioneer Valley

The rugged pioneers of the 17th century who came to the Connecticut River Valley discovered a rich and fertile land. Today, the Pioneer Valley remains a productive farm land. But to the traveler it is four seasons of glorious scenery, quaint New England inns, bed & breakfasts, revitalized towns and a celebration of the arts and crafts.

Holyoke to Amherst

In Holyoke, five miles north of Springfield, a Heritage State Park illustrates the birth of



Farm stand.

this city's canals and brick paper mills. Nearby Mt. Tom has ski runs in winter, a cool water slide in summer, and 1,800 acres of woodlands. Head for the summits of Mt. Tom and Mt. Holyoke for panoramic views. In South Hadley, Mt. Holyoke

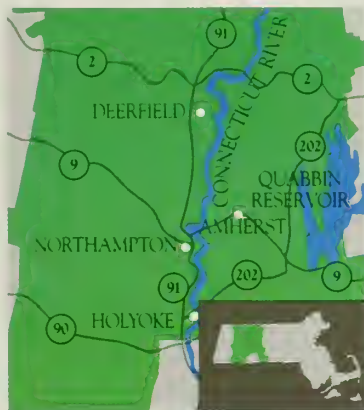
College, the nation's first woman's college, hosts Summer Theatre in the Round.

Just north of Holyoke lies Northampton, home to Smith College, where downtown shops, coffee houses and fine restaurants greet you. Welcoming visitors to the town are the Lyman Plant House and Botanical Gardens which display plants from all over the world. In the Smith College Museum of Art are paintings from Winslow Homer to Picasso.

East on Route 9 near Amherst, you'll find of the Hadley Farm Museum of early farm equipment and tools. In Amherst, home of the University of Massachusetts, Hampshire College and Amherst College, take time to walk the town's large formal common.

Old Deerfield

Head straight to Old Deerfield on I-91, or meander along the quieter routes past the green meadows and red barns. Old Deerfield was twice abandoned after Indian massacres. Today, its



mile-long Main Street is a National Historic District, a time capsule of the 18th and 19th centuries. Twelve houses are museums of antiques, period furnishings, ceramics and silverware.

The Mohawk Trail

Take Route 2 from Orange to the New York State border and you'll travel the 63-mile

stretch known as the Mohawk Trail. It is one of New England's most scenic roads, particularly in foliage season. Originally an Indian footpath, then opened as the first automobile touring road in 1915, the Trail follows the Deerfield River through mountain passes, sheer gorges and thick woodlands.

Historic markers, antique stores, inns and restaurants are but a few of the Trail's hundred or so attractions. You can fish in the Deerfield River; walk the Bridge of Flowers at Shelburne Falls; view *Hail to the Sunrise*, commemorating the Mohawk Indians; or take back roads to visit the classic New England villages of Goshen, Williamsburg and Chesterfield.

Near the New Hampshire border, the Northfield Mountain Recreation and Environmental Center runs riverboat cruises on the Connecticut River. During winter, Northfield is also an Olympic cross-country ski team training area.

Come to the Pioneer Valley for early spring maple sugaring, summer antique and crafts fairs, fall's foliage and winter ski trails.

Festivals and Events

Outdoor Antique Shows, Brimfield; May, July, September Old Deerfield Summer Craft Fair; June New England Arts Biennial, Amherst; June Deerfield Valley Art Association Exhibition and Sale; July Three-County Fair, Northampton; August Annual Franklin County Fair; September



18th-century Ashley House, Old Deerfield.

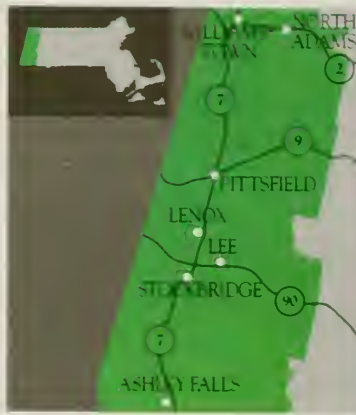


Ballooning, Cummington.

The Berkshires

The quiet beauty of the Berkshire Hills has inspired such greats as Hawthorne, Melville, Edith Wharton, Norman Rockwell and Serge Koussevitski. Today in this westernmost part of Massachusetts, the hills are still alive with the sound of music, the rhythm of modern dance and the variety of repertory theater. The rolling landscape continues to inspire, and the storybook towns somehow stop the hands of time.

In summer, the spirit of the arts fills the air with the opening of the Tanglewood Music



of Stockbridge—Norman Rockwell who often used the town and his neighbors for the subjects of his paintings. Among the collection on view are some of Rockwell's best-known works, including *Stockbridge Main Street at Christmas*. Nearby Chesterwood was the summer estate of Daniel Chester French, sculptor of the Concord Minuteman and Seated Lincoln in the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC. The artist's studio and house are open, and you can picnic near the manicured



Country road.

Festival and Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival. There's fishing in bubbling streams and clear lakes, hiking, tennis and golf—and always a back road to discover. In autumn, the hills become an artist's palate. In winter, the spirit of the great outdoors comes alive as downhill and cross-country skiers take to the

trails and slopes. In spring, gardens and woodlands come to life.

This is the corner of America where you can spend the night in a four-poster bed. Where rocking chairs squeak on wrap-around front porches. Where you can devour a book by a blazing fire at a country inn and let your cares go up in smoke.

Southern Berkshires

Small towns, summer retreats and winter sports characterize the Southern Berkshires. To the south of Great Barrington, the area's hub, is the town of Stockbridge, established in 1734 as an Indian mission. Visit Mission House on Main Street, home of the first missionary here. Nearby, The Old Corner House is a museum devoted to the most famous resident



'Freedom from Want,' by Norman Rockwell.

grounds. The Berkshire Theatre Festival, one of the nation's top summer theaters, offers yet another entertainment option in Stockbridge. The lively town of West Stockbridge has fashionable boutiques, fine inns and restaurants.

South Egremont, bending with the curve in Route 23, offers a number of quaint country inns. On the road just east of Route 7 north of Sheffield, the Berkshire's oldest town, you'll pass through the region's



Hancock Shaker Village, Pittsfield.



Round Stone Barn, Hancock Shaker Village

oldest covered bridge, built in 1853.

Central Berkshires

The city of Pittsfield, in the geographic center of the Berkshires, is the region's commercial hub. Here, the Berkshire Museum displays

American landscape paintings and exhibits a collection of Americana. Just outside Pittsfield is Hancock Shaker Village, an open-air museum on the site of a Shaker community that flourished here from 1781 to 1960. Tour the functional buildings, view the sect's beautifully handcrafted furniture, and learn about the commune's unusual lifestyle. The remarkable Round Stone Barn is a classic example of Shaker architecture.



Birch trees, Appalachian Trail.



Seiji Ozawa, conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, Tanglewood.

In summer, the hills surrounding the town of Lenox truly come alive with the sights and sounds of the arts. Here is Tanglewood, summer home of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Once part of a private estate, the great rolling lawns



Pony grazing in a field.

of Tanglewood make a perfect setting for starlight picnics and the beautiful music of one of the country's finest orchestras. The Mount, Edith Wharton's summer home, features outdoor performances by Shakespeare and Company. In Becket is Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, the



country's oldest dance festival. Year round, classic American dramas are presented at the Berkshire Public Theatre in Pittsfield.

When winter snow comes to this region, so do the skiers. Downhill ski areas, such as Bousquet, Butternut, Jiminy Peak, Catamount, and Brodie, have the variety and challenge for all ages. Cross-country trails lace the Central Berkshires, taking you through thick woods and wide-open spaces.

North Berkshires

The Mohawk Trail leads you to the high peaks, forested slopes and deep gorges of the Northern Berkshires. Near the town of Adams is New England's only Natural Bridge, a marble span formed by glaciers over 550 million years ago. The solid brick buildings of North Adams, a 19th-century mill town, now house intriguing craft and souvenir shops. The Western Gateway Heritage State Park will open soon.



Summer zucchini harvest.



Old general store, Stockbridge.



"Two Guides" by Winslow Homer, Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute, Williamstown.

performance at the Williamstown Summer Theatre Festival where professionals like Dick Cavett, Richard Thomas, Bianca Jagger and Christopher Reeve have played. At the Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute, view an excellent collection of Renaissance paintings, French Impressionists and American masters such as Winslow Homer and John Singer Sargent.

Off Rt. 7, just to the south of Williamstown is Mt. Greylock. This 3,491-foot peak is the highest in Massachusetts. Take the road to the summit, open from May through October, for a view of all the Berkshires and far beyond. Stay for lunch at the mountaintop lodge and watch the hanggliders as their colorful sails float gracefully to the valley below.

The variety of scenery in the Berkshires is matched only by the variety of things to do. You can hike the Appalachian

Trail to the northwest corner of Massachusetts and come to Williamstown, one of the prettiest towns in New England, and home to Williams College. Be sure to stay for a performance

Trail, which runs the length of the Berkshires. Canoe or fish in the peaceful streams and lakes. Go horseback riding, bicycling, swimming and bird-watching. Or browse through the countless antique stores. Come for the music, plays and dance of summer. Return for the spectacular fall foliage. Bring your skis in the winter and behold our Christmas-card scenery. At night, there's always room at the inn and a remarkable restaurant close at hand. Whether you stay for a week or just a weekend, the Berkshires will enchant you.



Early morning on the farm, North Egremont.

Festivals and Events

Tanglewood Music Festival,
Lenox; Summer
Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, Becket;
Summer
Shakespeare and Company, Lenox;
Summer
Williamstown Theatre Festival,
Williamstown; Summer
Berkshire Theatre Festival,
Stockbridge; Summer

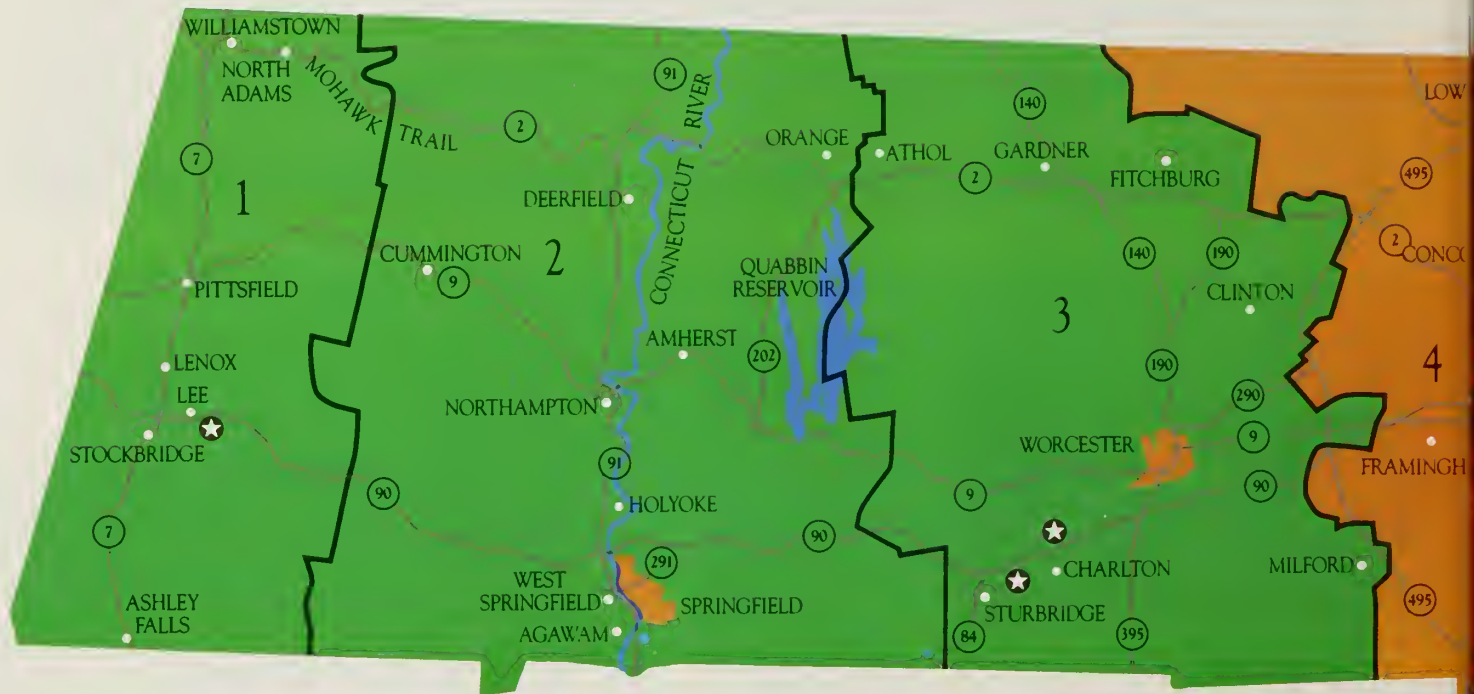
Great Josh Billings Run Aground, Pittsfield; September
Fall Foliage Festival, Adams; September/October

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Boston	164		99	135	208	304	46	90	47	105	468	612	666	767	425	309
Cape Cod/Hyannis	221	77	136	167	240	336	65	142	98	182	475	621	681	789	439	386
Fall River	171	49	86	117	190	286	15	92	55	158	412	553	637	717	376	358
Martha's Vineyard/Nantucket* (Woods Hole Ferry)	224	81	139	170	243	339	68	145	101	181	478	624	684	792	442	389
Pittsfield	38	136	81	97	154	275	140	55	97	220	359	459	518	638	323	255
Plymouth	223	41	113	145	218	314	43	132	85	145	455	647	701	802	420	349
Salem	179	15	114	150	223	350	61	105	55	126	483	639	683	784	447	310
Springfield	90	90	26	63	139	240	80		54	189	358	487	546	663	322	296
Worcester	135	47	77	144	168	281	58	54		138	394	531	591	699	358	303
Northampton	68	104	42	90	260	316	108	20	65	204	410	554	608	709	429	220

NOTE: *45 minute ferry ride to Martha's Vineyard from Woods Hole. *3 hour ferry ride to Nantucket from Woods Hole or 2 1/4 hours from Hyannis.

**5. North of Boston
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**6. Bristol County
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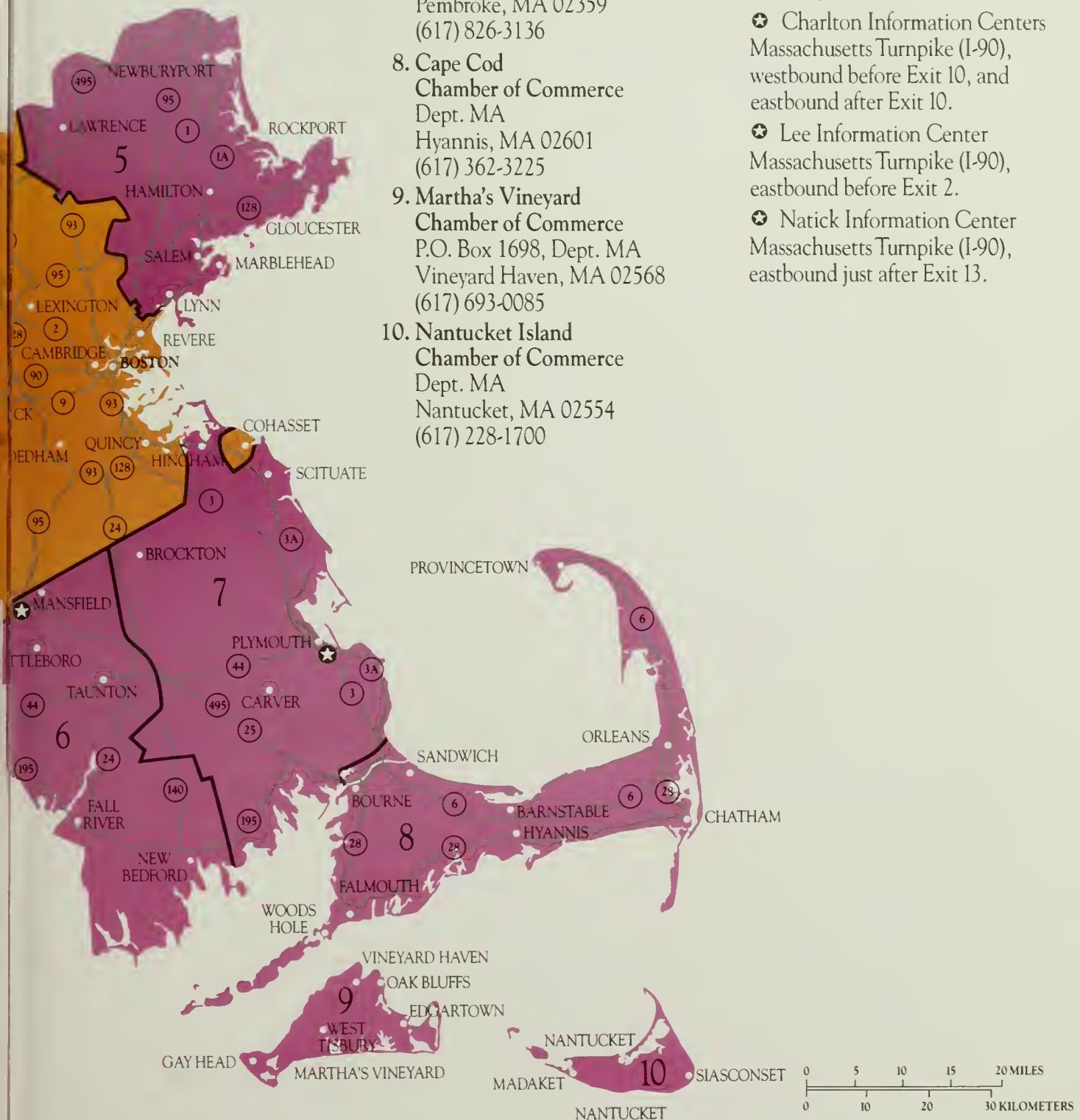
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Chamber of Commerce**
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**9. Martha's Vineyard
Chamber of Commerce**
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**10. Nantucket Island
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- ✦ Charlton Information Centers
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westbound before Exit 10, and
eastbound after Exit 10.
- ✦ Lee Information Center
Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90),
eastbound before Exit 2.
- ✦ Natick Information Center
Massachusetts Turnpike (I-90),
eastbound just after Exit 13.



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Round Stone Barn

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